

## THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

(Wednesday, March 2, 1927.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Bobbitt.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Acker.	Kenyon.
Albritton.	Kincaid.
Alexander.	King of Hopkins.
Avis.	King of
Barnett.	Throckmorton.
Barron.	Kinnear.
Bass.	Kirkland.
Bateman.	Land.
Beck.	Lipscomb.
Bird.	Loftin.
Black.	Loy.
Boggs.	Masterson.
Bonham.	McCombs.
Boon.	McGill.
Branch.	McKean.
Brown.	Merritt.
Conway.	Minor.
Cornwell.	Montgomery.
Cox.	Morse.
Cummings.	Moursund.
Daniel.	Murphy.
Davis.	Nicholson.
DeBerry.	Olsen.
Denman.	Parish of Runnels.
Dielmann.	Parrish of Travis.
Dunlap.	Pavlica.
Durham.	Pearce.
Duvall.	Petsch.
Enderby.	Poage.
Eickenroht.	Pool.
Farrar.	Pope.
Faulk.	Porter.
Finlay.	Powell.
Fly.	Purl.
Forbes.	Ramsey.
Foster.	Rawlins.
Fuchs.	Renfro
Gates.	of Angelina.
Gibson.	Rogers of Hays.
Gilbert.	Rogers of Shelby.
Graves.	Rowell.
Gray.	Runge.
Hagaman.	Sanders.
Hall.	Satterwhite.
Harding.	Shaver.
Harman.	Shearer.
Hefley.	Sheats.
High.	Shirley.
Hogg.	Simmons.
Holder.	Sinks.
Holland.	Smith of Atascosa.
Hornaday.	Smith of El Paso.
Jacks.	Smith of Nueces.
Johnson.	Smith of Smith.
Jones.	Smyth.
Kayton.	Snelgrove.
Kennedy.	Stell.

Stevenson.	Wallace of Smith.
Storey.	Ware.
Stout.	Wassell.
Sutton.	Webb.
Swain.	Whitaker.
Taylor.	Williams
Teer.	of Sabine.
Tillotson.	Williams
Turner.	of Travis.
Van Zandt.	Williamson.
Veatch.	Woodall.
Waddell.	Woodruff.
Walker.	Young.
Wallace	
of Freestone.	

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Reagan.
Kemble.	Renfro of Mills.
Kirby.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

## LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Long for today, on motion of Mr. Smith of El Paso.

Mr. Wells for today, on motion of Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Kemble for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Moore.

Mr. Renfro of Mills for today, on motion of Mr. Faulk.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today on account of illness:

Mr. Anderson for today, on motion of Mr. Nicholson.

Mr. Nabors for today, on motion of Mr. Brown.

## HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Veatch:

H. B. No. 635, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a special road law for Johnson county, Texas, providing for the condemnation of right-of-way and materials for the construction of roads; prescribing certain duties of railway companies in reference to draining right-of-ways; providing for county road tax; providing for the employment

and payment of county convicts for work on roads; providing for the funding of certain outstanding indebtedness; providing for the disposition of funds recovered on certain depository bonds; repealing laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Mr. Rogers of Shelby:

H. B. No. 636, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Road District No. 7 in Shelby county, Texas; validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in respect to the organization of said district; validating the authorization, issuance and sale of certain bonds thereof dated February 9, 1920, and numbered forty-six to one hundred, inclusive, totaling twenty-seven thousand five hundred (\$27,500) dollars, of five hundred (\$500) dollars each, providing for their payment by the annual levy and assessment of general ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said road district; approving and validating all orders of the commissioners court of said county in respect of said designated road district bonds and taxes or certified copies thereof and constituting such orders legal evidence; evidencing proof of publication of constitutional notice required in such acts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Mr. Smyth:

H. B. No. 637, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish and maintain an agricultural experiment station in the shallow water section of the South Plains extending across the northern part of Floyd, Hale and Lamb counties, authorizing the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to select a suitable location for said station, and empowering said board to establish and maintain the same, to accept donations of land, water and money for the establishment of said station, making an appropriation to pay the cost of establishing said station, and for the operation of same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Stell and Mr. Swain:

H. B. No. 638, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the transfer of

civil cases in Lamar county from the docket of the Sixth Judicial District to the docket of the Sixty-second Judicial District and from the Sixty-second Judicial District to the Sixth Judicial District at the close of each term, during term time or in vacation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Woodruff:

H. B. No. 639, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the removal of the Sul Ross Normal College from Alpine, Texas, to some city or town within the Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, the city or town to be selected and designated by the members of the Board of Control, together with a committee of three members of the House of Representatives to be selected by the Speaker thereof and two members from the Senate to be selected by the Lieutenant Governor; providing that when the city or town selected by said committee shall have placed at the disposal of the State Board of Control land sufficient for a campus and buildings and equipment adaptable to the purpose for which they are to be used, of equal or greater value than the buildings now occupied by the Sul Ross Normal College at Alpine, and when accepted by the Board of Control, said Sul Ross Normal College shall be removed from Alpine to such city or town so selected and complying with the requirements of this act; providing that such requirements shall be complied with on or before January 1, 1929, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Renfro of Angelina:

H. B. No. 640, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5535 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, so as to omit from its provisions 'a married woman,' and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING.

The following House joint resolution, introduced today, was laid before the House, read first time and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments:

By Mr. Tillotson:

H. J. R. No. 29, Proposing an amendment to Section 24, of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, to provide authority to the Legislature to

make provision for the establishment, construction and maintenance of a State system of public roads and highways and bridges thereon; that the Legislature shall provide a distinct fund for the accomplishment of such purposes; providing that the labor of State prisoners may be used in all such road improvements; and providing that the adoption of such amendment shall not abridge the authority of any county or defined district therein to use its credit for the construction and maintenance of county roads as may be authorized by vote of such counties or districts.

#### BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery, Senate bill No. 457 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Eickenroht, Senate bill No. 443 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Smyth, Senate bill No. 454 was ordered not printed.

#### BILL RE-REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Boon, Senate bill No. 239 was withdrawn from the Committee on State Affairs and referred to the Committee on State Eleemosynary and Reformatory Institutions.

#### RELATING TO HOUSE BILL NO. 348.

On motion of Mr. Poage, the Engrossing Clerk was authorized to make certain corrections in House bill No. 348.

#### BILL ORDERED PRINTED.

Mr. Powell moved that Senate bill No. 168 reported adversely with a minority favorable report be printed.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—63.

Acker.	Holder.
Bass.	Hornaday.
Beck.	Jacks.
Branch.	Jones.
Cornwell.	Kincaid.
Davis.	King of Hopkins.
DeBerry.	King of
Dunlap.	Throckmorton.
Enderby.	Kirkland.
Eickenroht.	Land.
Finlay.	Loy.
Fly.	McCombs.
Forbes.	McKean.
Foster.	Minor.
Graves.	Montgomery.
Hall.	Morse.
Harman.	Moursund.
Hefley.	Nicholson.
Hogg.	Petsch.

Pope.	Taylor.
Porter.	Teer.
Powell.	Tillotson.
Rawlins.	Van Zandt.
Runge.	Veatch.
Satterwhite.	Waddell.
Shaver.	Walker.
Shearer.	Wallace
Simmons.	of Freestone.
Sinks.	Webb.
Smith of Atascosa.	Whitaker.
Smith of El Paso.	Williams
Smith of Smith.	of Travis.
Stell.	Young.
Swain.	

Nays—58.

Albritton.	Loftin.
Alexander.	Masterson.
Avis.	Merritt.
Barnett.	Murphy.
Barron.	Olsen.
Bird.	Parish of Runnels.
Black.	Pavlica.
Boggs.	Pearce.
Boon.	Pool.
Conway.	Ramsey.
Cox.	Renfro
Cummings.	of Angelina.
Daniel.	Rogers of Hays.
Denman.	Rowell.
Durham.	Sanders.
Duvall.	Sheats.
Farrar.	Shirley.
Faulk.	Smyth.
Fuchs.	Snelgrove.
Gibson.	Stevenson.
Gilbert.	Storey.
Gray.	Stout.
Harding.	Sutton.
High.	Turner.
Holland.	Wallace of Smith.
Johnson.	Ware.
Kayton.	Williams
Kennedy.	of Sabine.
Kenyon.	Woodall.
Lipscomb.	Woodruff.

Present—Not Voting.

Bateman.

Absent.

Bonham.	Parrish of Travis.
Brown.	Poage.
Dielmann.	Purl.
Gates.	Reagan.
Hagaman.	Rogers of Shelby.
Kinnear.	Smith of Nueces.
Kirby.	Wassell.
McGill.	Williamson.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

RELATING TO INDEPENDENCE  
DAY.

Mr. Satterwhite moved to reconsider the vote by which the House on yesterday adopted a resolution relating to Independence Day.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Satterwhite, the resolution was laid on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 463 WITH SEN-  
ATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Brown called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 463, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the classification of elementary and high schools by the county board of trustees; providing for free tuition for certain high school students; repealing Article 2678, Revised Statutes, 1925, and all other laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

Yeas—107.

Mr. Speaker.	Hagaman.
Acker.	Hall.
Albritton.	Harding.
Avis.	Harman.
Barron.	Hefley.
Bass.	High.
Bird.	Hogg.
Black.	Holder.
Boggs.	Holland.
Boon.	Hornaday.
Branch.	Johnson.
Brown.	Jones.
Conway.	Kennedy.
Cornwell.	Kenyon.
Cox.	Kincaid.
Cummings.	King of
Daniel.	Throckmorton.
Davis.	Kinnear.
Denman.	Kirkland.
Durham.	Lipscomb.
Duvall.	Loftin.
Enderby.	Loy.
Eickenroht.	Masterson.
Faulk.	McCombs.
Finlay.	McKean.
Fly.	Merritt.
Forbes.	Minor.
Foster.	Montgomery.
Fuchs.	Moursund.
Gibson.	Murphy.
Graves.	Nicholson.

Olsen.	Stevenson.
Pearce.	Storey.
Petsch.	Sutton.
Pope.	Swain.
Porter.	Taylor.
Powell.	Teer.
Purl.	Tillotson.
Ramsey.	Turner.
Rawlins.	Veatch.
Rogers of Hays.	Waddell.
Rogers of Shelby.	Walker.
Rowell.	Wallace
Runge.	of Freestone.
Sanders.	Wallace of Smith.
Satterwhite.	Ware.
Shaver.	Whitaker.
Shearer.	Williams
Sheats.	of Sabine.
Simmons.	Williams
Sinks.	of Travis.
Smith of El Paso.	Woodall.
Smith of Smith.	Woodruff.
Snelgrove.	Young.
Stell.	

Nays—7.

Alexander.	Smith of Atascosa.
DeBerry.	Stout.
Kayton.	Van Zandt.
Pool.	

Present—Not Voting.

Jacks.

Absent.

Barnett.	Morse.
Bateman.	Parish of Runnels.
Beck.	Parrish of Travis.
Bonham.	Pavlica.
Dielmann.	Poage.
Dunlap.	Reagan.
Farrar.	Renfro
Gates.	of Angelina.
Gilbert.	Shirley.
Gray.	Smith of Nueces.
King of Hopkins.	Smyth.
Kirby.	Wassell.
Land.	Webb.
McGill.	Williamson.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND FUNERAL  
OF HON. W. M. DICKINSON.

In compliance with a resolution adopted on yesterday, the Speaker appointed the following committee to represent the House of Representatives at the funeral of Hon. W. M. Dickinson:

Messrs. Rogers of Shelby, Satterwhite, Barron, Durham, Enderby, Fly, Boggs, Avis, Farrar and Acker.



# EXTENDING PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR TO MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

Mr. Shearer offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It has been the custom of the House to permit the Hall of the House to be used for various official boards and other public purposes; therefore, be it

Resolved, In the event the Legislature shall not be in session on either of such dates, that the State Board of Medical Examiners be permitted to use the Hall of the House of Representatives on June 21, 22 and 23, and on November 15, 16 and 17 of the year 1927; and for the like dates of June 21, 22 and 23, and November 20, 21 and 22 of the year 1928, such use not to interfere in any manner with the desks and equipment of the Hall.

Signed—Shearer, Tillotson, Young.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

# PROVIDING FOR COMMITTEE TO MAKE INSPECTION OF CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Mr. Brown offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The educational institutions and other State institutions and public property will be before the Called Session of the Fortieth Legislature for consideration; and

Whereas, The Legislature should have first-hand information as to the needs of these institutions; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Speaker of the House be and he is hereby authorized to appoint a committee of three members, one to be selected from each of the following committees: Education, Appropriations and Public Buildings and Lands, which committee shall be empowered to visit and inspect all educational and other institutions and public property of this State.

That said committee be instructed to make its visits of inspection during the interval between the adjournment of the Regular Session of the Fortieth Legislature and the convening of the Called Session thereof, if time permits; and

That each of the three members of said committee be paid \$5.00 per day and actual living and transportation costs of such tour of inspection, and that said expenses be paid out of the contingent expense fund of the House.

Signed—Brown, Harman.

The resolution was read second time. On motion of Mr. Satterwhite, the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

# INVITING CAPTAIN HAMPTON STEELE TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE.

Mr. Farrar offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Captain Hampton Steele, born in Texas under the flag of the Republic in 1839, son of Alfonso Steele, last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto, is on the floor of the House; and

Whereas, Alfonso Steele was conspicuously heroic on that immortal day—mingling his blood with that of Houston's on freedom's proudest battlefield; and

Whereas, His distinguished son, Captain Hampton Steele, has lived a life of splendid service and exalted citizenship during his long life of eighty-seven years, and come to us today, through God's high providence, a messenger from the glorious Republic of Texas to its imperial child—The Lone Star State; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That Captain Steele be accorded the privileges of the floor during his stay in Austin, and that he be invited to the Speaker's stand, and address the House.

Signed—Farrar, Fly, Black, Sinks, Hogg.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above resolution, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Captain Hampton Steele to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Acker, Farrar, Fly, Black, Conway, Pearce, Sinks, Simmons, Kirkland, Pope, Smyth and Hogg.

The committee having performed their duty, Speaker Bobbitt presented Judge Acker.

Judge Acker then introduced Capt. Hampton Steele.

Captain Steele then addressed the House.

# RELATING TO SENATE BILL NO. 60.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 24, Relating to Senate bill No. 60.

Whereas, Senate bill No. 60 has passed the Senate and the House and is now on the Governor's desk for consideration; and

Whereas, It is the sense of this Legislature that inheritance taxes should not be collected from estates descending in the manner stated in the bill; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House concurring, That it is the policy of the Legislature in adopting this bill to relieve all estates descending to educational, charitable and religious institutions and such other institutions and beneficiaries as are set out in the bill, from payment of State inheritance taxes.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

#### SENATE BILL NO. 457 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Stevenson (by unanimous consent) the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 457, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any county in this State upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident taxpayers to issue bonds," etc.

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time and was passed to third reading.

#### SENATE BILL NO. 457 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Stevenson moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 457 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—108.

Mr. Speaker.	Dunlap.
Acker.	Duvall.
Alexander.	Enderby.
Avis.	Farrar.
Barnett.	Faulk.
Bass.	Finlay.
Bateman.	Fly.
Bird.	Forbes.
Boggs.	Foster.
Boon.	Fuchs.
Branch.	Gibson.
Brown.	Graves.
Conway.	Gray.
Cornwell.	Hagaman.
Cox.	Hall.
Cummings.	Harding.
Daniel.	Harman.
Davis.	Hefley.
DeBerry.	High.
Denman.	Hogg.
Dielmann.	Holder.

Holland.	Shaver.
Jacks.	Shearer.
Johnson.	Sheats.
Jones.	Shirley.
Kayton.	Simmons.
Kenyon.	Sinks.
Kincaid.	Smith of El Paso.
King of Hopkins.	Smith of Nueces.
King of	Smith of Smith.
Throckmorton.	Snelgrove.
Kinnear.	Stell.
Kirkland.	Stevenson.
Land.	Stout.
Lipscomb.	Sutton.
Loy.	Swain.
McCombs.	Taylor.
McGill.	Tillotson.
McKean.	Turner.
Minor.	Van Zandt.
Morse.	Veatch.
Moursund.	Waddell.
Murphy.	Wallace
Nicholson.	of Freestone.
Parish of Runnels.	Wallace of Smith.
Parrish of Travis.	Ware.
Petsch.	Wassell.
Poage.	Webb.
Pope.	Whitaker.
Porter.	Williams
Rawlins.	of Sabine.
Rogers of Hays.	Williamson.
Rogers of Shelby.	Woodall.
Runge.	Woodruff.
Sanders.	Young.

Nays—5.

Albritton.	Pearce.
Black.	Walker.
Kennedy.	

Absent.

Barron.	Pool.
Beck.	Powell.
Bonham.	Purl.
Durham.	Ramsey.
Eickenroht.	Reagan.
Gates.	Renfro
Gilbert.	of Angelina.
Hornaday.	Rowell.
Kirby.	Satterwhite.
Loftin.	Smith of Atascosa.
Masterson.	Smyth.
Merritt.	Storey.
Montgomery.	Teer.
Olsen.	Williams
Pavlica.	of Travis.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 457 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—120.

Mr. Speaker.	Land.
Acker.	Lipscomb.
Albritton.	Loy.
Alexander.	McCombs.
Avis.	McGill.
Barnett.	McKean.
Barron.	Merritt.
Bass.	Minor.
Bateman.	Montgomery.
Bird.	Morse.
Black.	Moursund.
Boggs.	Murphy.
Bonham.	Nicholson.
Boon.	Parish of Runnels.
Branch.	Pavlica.
Brown.	Pearce.
Conway.	Petsch.
Cornwell.	Poage.
Cox.	Pool.
Cummings.	Pope.
Daniel.	Porter.
Davis.	Powell.
DeBerry.	Rawlins.
Denman.	Rogers of Hays.
Dielmann.	Rogers of Shelby.
Dunlap.	Runge.
Durham.	Sanders.
Duvall.	Satterwhite.
Enderby.	Shaver.
Eickenroht.	Shearer.
Farrar.	Sheats.
Faulk.	Shirley.
Finlay.	Simmons.
Fly.	Sinks.
Forbes.	Smith of El Paso.
Foster.	Smith of Nueces.
Fuchs.	Smith of Smith.
Gibson.	Snelgrove.
Graves.	Stell.
Gray.	Stevenson.
Hagaman.	Storey.
Hall.	Stout.
Harding.	Sutton.
Harman.	Swain.
Hefley.	Taylor.
Higg.	Tillotson.
Holder.	Turner.
Holland.	Van Zandt.
Hornaday.	Veatch.
Jacks.	Waddell.
Johnson.	Wallace
Jones.	of Freestone.
Kayton.	Wallace of Smith.
Kenyon.	Ware.
Kincaid.	Wassell.
King of Hopkins.	Whitaker.
King of	Williamson.
Throckmorton.	Woodall.
Kinnear.	Woodruff.
Kirkland.	Young.

Nays—2.

Kennedy.

Walker.

Absent.

Beck.	Renfro
Gates.	of Angelina.
Gilbert.	Rowell.
Kirby.	Smith of Atascosa.
Loftin.	Smyth.
Masterson.	Teer.
Olsen.	Webb.
Parrish of Travis.	Williams
Purl.	of Sabine.
Ramsey.	Williams
Reagan.	of Travis.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

#### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading,

S. J. R. No. 8, Proposing the amendment of Article 8, Section 19, of the State Constitution so as to carry forward the provision for the exemption from taxation of farm products in the hands of the producer and family supplies for the home and farm use, and also providing for the exemption from taxation of cotton, woolen, mohair and textile mills located in the State of Texas for a period of fifteen (15) years.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Fly offered the following (committee) amendment to the resolution:

Amend Senate joint resolution No. 8 by striking out the word "all" in line 3, Section 19, of Section 1, page 1, and substituting therefor the word "State."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Stout offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend Senate joint resolution No. 8, on page 1, by adding after the word "State," on page 38, the following:

"Provided, however, no such mills now in existence or any of the property incident or appurtenant thereto shall be exempted."

The amendment was lost.

Mr. McCombs moved the previous question on the passage of the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Mr. Fly (by unanimous consent) offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend Senate joint resolution No. 8 by striking out of Section 2, page 2, in lines 1 and 2, the words "nineteenth day of November, A. D. 1927," and insert therefor the following: "First Monday in August, A. D. 1927."

The amendment was adopted.

Senate joint resolution No. 8 was then passed to third reading by the following vote:

Yeas—73.

Avis.	Nicholson.
Barnett.	Parish of Runnels.
Boggs.	Parrish of Travis.
Bonham.	Petsch.
Boon.	Poage.
Branch.	Pope.
Brown.	Porter.
Conway.	Powell.
Cornwell.	Purl.
Denman.	Rawlins.
Dunlap.	Rogers of Hays.
Durham.	Rogers of Shelby.
Enderby.	Sheats.
Faulk.	Shirley.
Finlay.	Simmons.
Fly.	Smith of Atascosa.
Foster.	Smith of Nueces.
Fuchs.	Smith of Smith.
Gibson.	Snelgrove.
Hagaman.	Stell.
Harding.	Stevenson.
Harman.	Swain.
Holder.	Taylor.
Holland.	Tillotson.
Jacks.	Turner.
Johnson.	Van Zandt.
Jones.	Veatch.
Kenyon.	Wallace of Smith.
Kirkland.	Ware.
Lipscomb.	Wassell.
Loftin.	Webb.
Loy.	Williams
McCombs.	of Travis.
McKean.	Woodall.
Merritt.	Woodruff.
Montgomery.	Young.
Moursund.	

Nays—45.

Acker.	Farrar.
Albritton.	Forbes.
Alexander.	Gilbert.
Barron.	Gray.
Bass.	Hall.
Bateman.	High.
Beck.	Hogg.
Bird.	Kennedy.
Black.	Kincaid.
Cox.	King of
Cummings.	Throckmorton.
DeBerry.	McGill.
Dielmann.	Minor.
Duvall.	Morse.
Eickenroht.	Murphy.

Pavlica.	Stout.
Pearce.	Waddell.
Pool.	Walker.
Renfro	Wallace
of Angelina.	of Freestone.
Satterwhite.	Whitaker.
Shaver.	Williams
Shearer.	of Sabine.
Sinks.	Williamson.
Storey.	

Absent.

Daniel.	Masterson.
Davis.	Olsen.
Gates.	Ramsey.
Graves.	Reagan.
Hefley.	Rowell.
Hornaday.	Runge.
Kayton.	Sanders.
King of Hopkins.	Smith of El Paso.
Kinnear.	Smyth.
Kirby.	Sutton.
Land.	Teer.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, March 2, 1927.

Hon. Robert Lee Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 355, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any city of more than 100,000 population to disannex for school purposes only territory which is not within such city and has been annexed for school purposes, and prescribing the means and terms of such disannexation, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

H. B. No. 256, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 15 of the Special Laws of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, entitled 'An Act creating a more efficient road system for Hardin county, Texas; providing that each commissioner of the same shall be ex-officio road commissioner of his precinct; providing for an inspection of roads, bridges and culverts by said commissioner; providing for bonds, compensation and duties, and providing for the work of delinquent poll taxpayers of the public roads and accepting certain compensation in lieu of road work; providing that the commissioners court shall have power to build roads, bridges, culverts, etc., by private contract; pro-



viding that the commissioners court may employ a superintendent who shall be an experienced civil engineer in road building; providing penalties for the violation of this act, and this act shall be cumulative of all general laws of this State not in conflict herewith; repealing Chapter 82, Special Laws, passed by the Thirty-second Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 257, A bill to be entitled "An Act to relinquish and quitclaim unto cities and towns or municipalities which were established or founded, according to the records of the General Land Office, on March 10, 1826, under the laws of Mexico, or the laws of Coahuila and Texas, and which had a population of thirty-one hundred and twenty-eight, according to the published United States Census of 1920, all squares, blocks, or parcels of land, except streets, alleys and parks now situated in such cities and towns, to which squares, blocks or parcels of land the State of Texas may now have any right, title or interest, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 421, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 65 of the Local and Special Laws enacted by the First Called Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, known as House bill No. 202, creating Road District No. 4 in Atascosa county, Texas, and validating certain district road bonds of said road district and proceedings had with respect to their issue, so as to repeal Section 3b of said special act, legalizing, approving and validating the proposition of issuing district road bonds of said road district in the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) and certain orders and proceedings recited to have been had with respect thereto; declaring intention to in nowise affect any other provisions of said special and local law; evidencing proof of publication of constitutional notice required in such acts, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

H. B. No. 455, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subdivision 11 of Article 199, Title 8, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, providing for the election of special judges in case of absence, sickness or inability of any of the regular judges to act and preside in the civil district courts of Harris county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 537, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 78 of the Local and Special Laws enacted by the Thirty-sixth Legislature at its Regular

Session in 1919, same being a special road law for Erath county, by adding thereto Section 2a, authorizing the commissioners court of Erath county to issue bonds of said county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and to levy a tax in payment thereof, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 483, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that whenever any unorganized county within this State has become or may hereafter become organized the district judge within whose judicial district it is situated shall fix the time for holding court therein; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 484, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 70 of Article 199 of Title 8 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, by changing the time of holding the terms of the district court of the Seventieth Judicial District of Texas; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 556, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7596, Chapter 1, Title 128, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, to authorize conservation and reclamation districts co-operating under contract with the United States to waive the preference lien given them by statute, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 557, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7752, Chapter 2, Title 128, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, to authorize conservation and reclamation districts obtaining a water supply under contract with the United States to waive the statutory lien given them, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 37, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3351 of Chapter 5, Title 54, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 190, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent time warrants from being issued by or for any county or political subdivision of a county; defining the word 'time warrants,' preventing the issuance of bonds to fund or refund, or the proceeds of which may be for the purpose of paying or retiring, any such time warrants or other warrants heretofore or hereafter issued; and providing that any bonds or warrants issued in violation of this act shall be

void; providing that this act shall not apply to bonds or warrants issued under Title 118, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,  
MORRIS C. HANKINS,  
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24  
ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading,

Senate joint resolution No. 24, Amending Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution relating to courts.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Fly offered the following (committee) amendments to the resolution:

A joint resolution, Proposing an amendment of Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2 (of Article V). The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of five judges shall be necessary to the decision of a case. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court unless he be, at the time of his election or appointment, a citizen of the United States and of this State, and unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years and shall have been a licensed lawyer for seven years and, during that time, shall have been a practicing lawyer or judge of a court of record, or such practicing lawyer and judge together. Said Chief Justice and Associate Justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, at a general election, and shall hold their offices six years, or until their successors are elected and qualify, and shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor shall fill the vacancy until the next general election for State officers, and at such general election the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the qualified voters of the State. The judges of the Supreme Court who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall

continue in office until the expiration of their terms of office under the present Constitution and until their successors are elected and qualify. When this amendment takes effect, the Governor shall immediately appoint six additional Associate Justices of the Supreme Court for terms of office so that the terms of two of such appointed Associate Justices shall expire with the term of office of each of the present members of the Supreme Court, and, upon the qualification of such new justices, the Commission of Appeals of the State of Texas shall terminate.

Sec. 3 (of Article V). The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction only, except as herein specified, which shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State. Its appellate jurisdiction shall extend to questions of law arising in the cases in the Courts of Civil Appeals in which the judges of any Court of Civil Appeals may disagree or where the several Courts of Civil Appeals may hold differently on the same question of law, or where a statute of the State is held void, and to questions of law arising in such other cases of which the Court of Civil Appeals have appellate jurisdiction as may be prescribed by law; provided, that the Legislature may authorize direct appeals from the county and district courts in any case where a statute of the State has been declared void. The Supreme Court and the judges thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus as may be prescribed by law; and, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, the said court and the judges thereof may issue the writs of mandamus, procedendo, certiorari, and such other writs as may be necessary to enforce its jurisdiction. The Legislature may confer original jurisdiction on the Supreme Court to issue writs of quo warranto and mandamus in such cases as may be specified except as against the Governor of the State. The Supreme Court shall also have power, upon affidavit or otherwise, as by the court may be determined, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the proper exercise of its jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall be open at all times and shall sit at the State Capitol for the transaction of business at such times as may be designated by the court. The present statutes defining the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court not in conflict herewith shall continue in effect until repealed or altered by the Legislature. The Supreme Court shall appoint a clerk, who

shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and he may hold his office for four years, and shall be subject to removal by said court for good cause entered of record on the minutes of said court, and who shall receive such compensation as the Legislature may provide.

Sec. 4 (of Article V). The Court of Criminal Appeals shall consist of three judges, provided that the Legislature may increase the number to five, and a majority of the judges shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority of the judges shall be necessary to the decision of any case. Said judges shall have the same qualifications and receive the same salaries as the judges of the Supreme Court. They shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, at a general election, and shall hold their offices for a term of six years. The judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms of office under the present Constitution and laws.

Sec. 5 (of Article V). The Court of Criminal Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction co-extensive with the limits of the State in all criminal cases of whatever grade, with such exceptions and under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, and the Legislature may confer original jurisdiction upon it to issue writs of mandamus, procedendo and certiorari in criminal cases. The Court of Criminal Appeals and the judges thereof shall have the power to issue the writ of habeas corpus and, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, issue such writs as may be necessary to enforce its own jurisdiction. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall have the power, upon affidavit or otherwise to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the exercise of its jurisdiction. Said court shall be open at all times and shall sit at the State Capital for the transaction of business at such times as may be designated by it. Said court shall appoint a clerk, who shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and he shall hold his office for four years, unless sooner removed by the court for good cause entered of record on the minutes of said court, and said clerk shall receive such compensation as may be prescribed by law.

Sec. 6 (of Article V). The Legislature shall, from time to time, divide the State into such number of Supreme

Judicial Districts as to it may seem necessary, not exceeding twelve at any one time, and shall have the power to redistrict the State at any time, and shall establish a Court of Civil Appeals in each of said districts, which court shall consist of a Chief Justice and not less than two Associate Justices as the Legislature may provide, who shall have the qualifications as herein prescribed for Justices of the Supreme Court, provided that the aggregate number of judges of all the Courts of Civil Appeals shall never at one time exceed thirty-six. Each of the existing Courts of Civil Appeals shall continue until otherwise provided by law. The Courts of Civil Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction co-extensive with the limits of their respective districts, which shall extend to all civil cases of which the district courts or county courts have original or appellate jurisdiction, under such restrictions and regulations as may be prescribed by law, provided that the decisions of said courts shall be conclusive on all questions of fact brought before them on appeal or error. Said Courts of Civil Appeals shall hold their session at such places as may be designated by the Legislature and at such times as may be prescribed by law. Said justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of their respective districts, at a general election, for a term of six years, and shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. Said courts shall have such other jurisdiction, original and appellate, as may be prescribed by law. Each Court of Civil Appeals shall appoint a clerk in the same manner as the clerk of the Supreme Court, which clerk shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by law. The judges of the Courts of Civil Appeals who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment.

Sec. 7 (of Article V). The State shall be divided into as many judicial districts as may now or hereafter be provided by law, which may be increased or diminished by law. For each district there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, at a general election, a judge, who shall be a citizen of the United States and of this State, who shall have been a practicing lawyer of this State or a judge of a court of record in this State for four years next preceding his election, who shall have resided in the district in which he was elected for two years next preceding his



election, who shall reside in his district during his term of office, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, and shall receive for his services such compensation as may be prescribed by law. He shall hold the regular terms of his court at the county seat of each county in his district at least twice in each year, in such manner as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall have power, by general or special laws, to authorize the holding of special terms of the court or the holding of more than two terms in any county for the dispatch of business. The Legislature shall also provide for the holding of district court when the judge thereof is absent or is, from any cause, disabled or disqualified from presiding. The Supreme Court or the Chief Justice thereof may assign any district judge to any district in the State other than that for which he was elected, with all the powers of a resident district judge of the district to which he is assigned, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Legislature, or by the Supreme Court in the absence of such regulations enacted by the Legislature. The district judges who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment.

Sec. 2. Said proposed amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of this State qualified to vote on constitutional amendments at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927, at which each voter opposing said amendment shall scratch off of the ballot with pen or pencil the following words printed thereon:

"For the amendment to the State Constitution amending Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas, for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system," and each voter favoring said amendment shall scratch off of the ballot in the same manner the following words printed thereon:

"Against the amendment to the State Constitution amending Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas, for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system."

If it shall appear from a return of said election that a majority of the votes cast have been cast in favor of said amendment, it shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The Governor shall issue his

proclamation calling said election and have the same published and said election held in accordance with this resolution and the Constitution and laws of this State; and return shall be made and the votes canvassed and counted as provided by law; and if said amendment is adopted by the required vote of the qualified electors of this State, the Governor shall issue his proclamation as required by law.

Sec. 4. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury to pay for publication of the proclamation calling said election and any expense of the State in submitting said amendment and holding said election.

#### RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Satterwhite, the House, at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, March 2, 1927.

Hon. Robert Lee Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 321, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 6770 of the Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, said article being a part of the laws of this State relating to roads, bridges and ferries, so as to eliminate that part of said article exempting Hunt county from Subdivision 4, Chapter 3, Title 116, of the Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 336, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5160 of the Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, revision of 1925, requiring any person or persons, firm or corporation, entering into a formal contract with the State or its counties or subdivisions thereof, or any municipality therein for the construction of any public building or public work, to execute bonds with sureties, with obligation that contractors shall pay laborers and those furnishing materials for such buildings and public works; and providing more particularly what debts shall be secured by said



bonds; and providing for filing such claims under oath with the contractor or with the county clerk, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 196, A bill to be entitled "An Act so as to provide that hereafter any person, firm or corporation that sustains injury to person or property by the negligent operation of any other motor vehicle by the owner thereof or by another with the owner's consent expressed or implied to operate it, shall have a first and superior lien on such motor vehicle to secure the payment of the damages sustained; providing further that no motor vehicle shall be exempt from sequestration, attachment, execution or any other species of forced sale as against any person, firm or corporation that sustains injury from the negligent operation of such motor vehicle and that acquires the lien provided by the terms of this act, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 277, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the approval by municipal authorities before filing, and for filing and recordation of plans, plats or replats of land lying in or within five miles of the corporate limits of cities having a population of fifty thousand persons or over, according to the Federal census of 1920, and of any subsequent Federal census, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 250, A bill to be entitled "An Act empowering the State Highway Commission to adopt safety devices to be erected at railroad and interurban crossings and to contract for same; to advertise for the submission of such devices and upon hearings had to designate same; providing for the nature and character of such safety device; that the engineer of the Railroad Commission shall assist the State Highway Commission in the selection of such device; designating the kind and character of contract to be entered into and defining the powers, rights and duties of the State Highway Commission relative thereto; providing that said safety devices shall be erected without cost or expense to the State upon such terms, stipulations and conditions as the State Highway Commission may deem best; providing for an easement upon that part of the highway roadbed used and occupied by said devices, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 383, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 15 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas, so as to provide for

the payment of twenty dollars per day for each day district attorneys in certain districts attend any session of any of the district courts in their respective districts, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 456, Removing counties of Wood and Van Zandt from Fifth Judicial District and placing them in the Sixth Judicial District.

Respectfully,  
MORRIS C. HANKINS,  
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery, House bill No. 630 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, House bill No. 423 was ordered not printed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 316 ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. Bonham moved to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 316 was finally passed.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Bonham offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 316 by inserting the word "Leon" after the word "Lee" and before the word "Limestone," in line 1, of page 2, of the written bill; also by inserting the words "Jim Wells" after the word "Jefferson," in last line of page 1 of written bill, and inserting the words "Refugio, Polk," between the words "Real" and "Robertson," in line 6, page 2, of the bill.

Signed—Bonham, Stevenson.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 316 was then finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Mr. Speaker.	Durham.
Acker.	Duvall.
Albritton.	Enderby.
Alexander.	Farrar.
Barnett.	Faulk.
Barron.	Finlay.
Bass.	Fly.
Bateman.	Forbes.
Bird.	Fuchs.
Black.	Gates.
Boggs.	Gibson.
Bonham.	Gilbert.
Boon.	Gray.
Cornwell.	Hagaman.
Cummings.	Hall.
Davis.	Harding.
DeBerry.	Harman.
Denman.	Hefley.
Dielmann.	High.

Hogg.	Rowell.
Holder.	Sanders.
Holland.	Satterwhite.
Hornaday.	Shaver.
Kayton.	Shearer.
Kennedy.	Sheats.
Kenyon.	Shirley.
Kincaid.	Simmons.
King of	Sinks.
Throckmorton.	Smith of El Paso.
Kirkland.	Smith of Nueces.
Land.	Smith of Smith.
Lipscomb.	Snelgrove.
Loftin.	Stell.
Loy.	Stevenson.
McCombs.	Stout.
McGill.	Sutton.
McKean.	Swain.
Merritt.	Taylor.
Minor.	Teer.
Murphy.	Tillotson.
Nicholson.	Turner.
Olsen.	Van Zandt.
Parish of Runnels.	Veatch.
Parrish of Travis.	Waddell.
Pavlica.	Walker.
Pearce.	Wallace
Petsch.	of Freestone.
Poage.	Wallace of Smith.
Pool.	Ware.
Porter.	Wassell.
Powell.	Whitaker.
Purl.	Williams
Ramsey.	of Sabine.
Rawlins.	Williamson.
Renfro	Woodall.
of Angelina.	Woodruff.
Rogers of Hays.	Young.
Rogers of Shelby.	

## Absent.

Avis.	Kinnear.
Beck.	Kirby.
Branch.	Masterson.
Brown.	Montgomery.
Conway.	Morse.
Cox.	Moursund.
Daniel.	Pope.
Dunlap.	Reagan.
Eickenroht.	Runge.
Foster.	Smith of Atascosa.
Graves.	Smyth.
Jacks.	Storey.
Johnson.	Webb.
Jones.	Williams
King of Hopkins.	of Travis.

## Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

ADDRESS BY HON. TEMPLE  
HOUSTON MORROW.

The Speaker announced that Hon.

Temple Houston Morrow, grandson of General Sam Houston, was within the House, and that he would be invited to address the House at this time.

Speaker Bobbitt then presented Mr. Storey, who in turn introduced Hon. Temple Houston Morrow.

Mr. Morrow then addressed the House.

## RELATING TO HOUSE BILL NO. 398.

On motion of Mr. Smyth, by unanimous consent, the Engrossing Clerk was authorized to insert Section 5, which is the emergency clause, in House bill No. 398.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24  
ON SECOND READING.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being Senate joint resolution No. 24, relating to the Supreme Court, with amendment by Mr. Fly pending.

(Mr. Rawlins in the chair.)

Mr. Farrar offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend Senate joint resolution No. 24 by adding after word "law," in line 6, page 9, the following: "In case of a conflict between the Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals upon any constitutional question, or upon the validity of a statute, the opinion of the Supreme Court thereon shall prevail."

The amendment was adopted.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Barnett offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend committee substitute Senate joint resolution No. 24, page 11, by striking out the word "five," in line 18, and insert in lieu thereof the word "twelve."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parish of Runnels moved the previous question on the pending amendment and the resolution and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the amendment by Mr. Fly as amended, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—129.

Mr. Speaker.	Black.
Acker.	Boggs.
Albritton.	Bonham.
Alexander.	Boon.
Avis.	Brown.
Barnett.	Conway.
Bass.	Cornwell.
Bird.	Cox.

Cummings.	Pavlica.
Daniel.	Pearce.
Davis.	Petsch.
DeBerry.	Poage.
Denman.	Pool.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Dunlap.	Porter.
Duvall.	Powell.
Enderby.	Purl.
Eickenroht.	Ramsey.
Farrar.	Rawlins.
Faulk.	Renfro
Finlay.	of Angelina.
Fly.	Rogers of Hays.
Forbes.	Rogers of Shelby.
Foster.	Rowell.
Fuchs.	Runge.
Gates.	Sanders.
Gibson.	Satterwhite.
Gilbert.	Shaver.
Gray.	Shearer.
Hagaman.	Sheats.
Hall.	Shirley.
Harding.	Simmons.
Harman.	Sinks.
Hefley.	Smith of El Paso.
High.	Smith of Nueces.
Hogg.	Smith of Smith.
Holder.	Smyth.
Holland.	Snelgrove.
Jacks.	Stell.
Johnson.	Stevenson.
Jones.	Storey.
Kayton.	Stout.
Kennedy.	Sutton.
Kenyon.	Swain.
Kincaid.	Taylor.
King of Hopkins.	Teer.
King of	Tillotson.
Throckmorton.	Turner.
Kinnear.	Van Zandt.
Kirkland.	Waddell.
Land.	Walker.
Lipscomb.	Wallace
Loftin.	of Freestone.
Loy.	Wallace of Smith.
Masterson.	Ware.
McCombs.	Wassell.
McGill.	Webb.
McKean.	Whitaker.
Merritt.	Williams
Minor.	of Sabine.
Montgomery.	Williams
Morse.	of Travis.
Moursund.	Williamson.
Murphy.	Woodall.
Nicholson.	Woodruff.
Olsen.	Young.
Parish of Runnels.	

Nays—1.

Smith of Atascosa.

Absent.

Barron.	Beck.
Bateman.	Branch.

Durham.	Parrish of Travis.
Graves.	Reagan.
Hornaday.	Veatch.
Kirby.	

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

Senate joint resolution No. 24 was then finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—131.

Mr. Speaker.	Kennedy.
Acker.	Kenyon.
Albritton.	King of Hopkins.
Alexander.	King of
Avis.	Throckmorton.
Barnett.	Kinnear.
Bass.	Kirkland.
Bird.	Land.
Black.	Lipscomb.
Boggs.	Loftin.
Bonham.	Loy.
Boon.	Masterson.
Branch.	McCombs.
Brown.	McGill.
Conway.	McKean.
Cornwell.	Merritt.
Cox.	Minor.
Cummings.	Montgomery.
Daniel.	Morse.
Davis.	Moursund.
DeBerry.	Murphy.
Denman.	Nicholson.
Dielmann.	Olsen.
Dunlap.	Parish of Runnels.
Duvall.	Pavlica.
Enderby.	Pearce.
Eickenroht.	Petsch.
Farrar.	Poage.
Faulk.	Pool.
Finlay.	Pope.
Fly.	Porter.
Forbes.	Powell.
Foster.	Purl.
Fuchs.	Ramsey.
Gates.	Rawlins.
Gibson.	Renfro
Gilbert.	of Angelina.
Gray.	Rogers of Hays.
Hagaman.	Rogers of Shelby.
Hall.	Rowell.
Harding.	Runge.
Harman.	Sanders.
Hefley.	Satterwhite.
High.	Shaver.
Hogg.	Shearer.
Holder.	Sheats.
Holland.	Shirley.
Hornaday.	Simmons.
Jacks.	Sinks.
Johnson.	Smith of El Paso.
Jones.	Smith of Nueces.
Kayton.	Smyth.

Snelgrove.	Walker.
Stell.	Wallace of Smith.
Stevenson.	Ware.
Storey.	Wassell.
Stout.	Webb.
Sutton.	Whitaker.
Swain.	Williams
Taylor.	of Sabine.
Teer.	Williams
Tillotson.	of Travis.
Turner.	Williamson.
Van Zandt.	Woodall.
Veatch.	Woodruff.
Waddell.	Young.

## Nays—2.

Kincaid.	Smith of Atascosa.
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Absent.

Barron.	Parrish of Travis.
Bateman.	Reagan.
Beck.	Smith of Smith.
Durham.	Wallace
Graves.	of Freestone.
Kirby.	

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, March 1, 1927.

Hon. Robert Lee Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 350, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners courts of the various counties of the State of Texas to employ one or more nurses for the purpose of assisting in the promotion of public health and visiting and inspecting the pupils of the public schools, and to appropriate public funds in payment thereof."

S. B. No. 319, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that a person may be named as beneficiary in any policy issued by a legal reserve life insurance company on the life of another to whom he or she is related by affinity within the third degree or by consanguinity within the fourth degree," etc.

S. B. No. 207, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1722, Chapter 2, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, so as to provide for the office of marshal and librarian of the Supreme Court and for assistant librarians; prescribing their

duties and fixing their compensation; providing for things incidental to the purposes of the act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 249, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1020, 1029, 1030, 1032 and 1040 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1925, fixing the fees of district attorneys, county attorneys, county judges, sheriffs, justices of the peace in examining trials in felony cases and fixing fees allowed sheriffs and constables in felony cases for executing all criminal process after indictment is returned; for summoning a jury; for removing or conveying prisoners; for attaching and conveying out of county witnesses; for attending prisoner or prisoners on habeas corpus; providing the means and manner of making returns and accounts on and for criminal process in felony cases; for conveying juveniles to training school; for the safe keeping, support and maintenance of prisoners confined in jails or under guard; authorizing the commissioners court to furnish one or more automobiles to sheriff upon his sworn written application therefor; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 349, A bill to be entitled "An Act to extend the time and keep in force for a period of three years from March 5, 1927, Oil and Gas Permit No. 9369, on 156.3 acres of the bed of the San Jacinto River, Harris county, Texas, upon the same terms and conditions on which the original permit was issued, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 423, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and fix the jurisdiction of the county court of Harrison county, Texas, and to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of the Seventy-first Judicial District in Harrison county to such change, to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 438, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that no money or benefits to be paid or rendered on a weekly, monthly, or other periodic or installment basis to the insured or any beneficiary under any policy of insurance issued by a life, health or accident insurance company, including mutual and fraternal annuities and benefits in use by any employer, shall be liable to execution, attachment, garnishment or other process or operation of law to pay any debt or liability of the insured or any beneficiary, either before or after payment, except for premiums on such policy or debts of the insured secured by



pledge thereof, and providing that whenever such policy or plan shall provide against assignments or commutations, assignments or commutations of a beneficiary in violation of such provision shall be void, and declaring an emergency."

S. C. R. No. 31, Providing of appointment of a committee to recommend adoption of a State song.

S. B. No. 458, Creating special road law for Johnson county.

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS,  
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 355 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Rawlins called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments.

H. B. No. 355, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any city of more than 100,000 population to disannex, for school purposes only, territory which is not within such city and has been annexed for school purposes, and prescribing the means and terms of such disannexation, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Rawlins, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

Yeas—107.

Mr. Speaker.	Fuchs.
Acker.	Gibson.
Alexander.	Gilbert.
Barnett.	Gray.
Bass.	Hagaman.
Bird.	Hall.
Black.	Harding.
Boggs.	Harman.
Bonham.	Hefley.
Boon.	High.
Branch.	Hogg.
Conway.	Holder.
Cornwell.	Holland.
Daniel.	Jones.
Davis.	Kayton.
DeBerry.	Kenyon.
Denman.	Kincaid.
Dielmann.	King of Hopkins.
Duvall.	Kinnear.
Enderby.	Kirkland.
Farrar.	Land.
Faulk.	Loy.
Finlay.	Masterson.
Fly.	McCombs.
Forbes.	McGill.
Foster.	McKean.

Merritt.	Smith of Nueces.
Minor.	Smith of Smith.
Montgomery.	Smyth.
Morse.	Snelgrove.
Moursund.	Stell.
Murphy.	Stevenson.
Nicholson.	Stout.
Olsen.	Sutton.
Parish of Runnels.	Swain.
Pavlica.	Taylor.
Pearce.	Tillotson.
Poage.	Van Zandt.
Pool.	Veatch.
Pope.	Waddell.
Porter.	Walker.
Purl.	Wallace of Smith.
Ramsey.	Ware.
Rawlins.	Wassell.
Rogers of Hays.	Webb.
Rogers of Shelby.	Whitaker.
Runge.	Williams
Satterwhite.	of Sabine.
Shearer.	Williams
Sheats.	of Travis.
Shirley.	Woodall.
Simmons.	Woodruff.
Sinks.	Young.
Smith of El Paso.	

Nays—1.

Smith of Atascosa.

Absent.

Albritton.	Kirby.
Avis.	Lipscomb.
Barron.	Loftin.
Bateman.	Parrish of Travis.
Beck.	Petsch.
Brown.	Powell.
Cox.	Reagan.
Cummings.	Renfro
Dunlap.	of Angelina.
Durham.	Rowell.
Eickenroht.	Sanders.
Gates.	Shaver.
Graves.	Storey.
Hornaday.	Teer.
Jacks.	Turner.
Johnson.	Wallace
Kennedy.	of Freestone.
King of	Williamson.
Throckmorton.	

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading,

H. J. R. No. 9, Proposing an amendment to Section 24, of Article 3, of the

Constitution of the State of Texas, by providing that the biennial sessions of the Legislature shall be divided into two terms, specifying the length of such terms, regulating the passage of general legislation, and fixing the compensation of members.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Fly offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 9, at page 2, in Section 2, by substituting in lines 7 and 8 the date "the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bonham offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend the resolution in line 17, of Section 1, by changing the word "no" to "not."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Satterwhite offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 9 by striking out the word "forty," in line 19, page 1, and insert in lieu thereof the word "sixty"; also strike out the word "sixty," in line 21, and in lieu thereof insert the words "one hundred."

Mr. Purl moved that further consideration of the amendment and the resolution be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. McCombs moved the previous question on the pending amendment, motion to postpone and the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the motion to postpone the resolution indefinitely, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—48.

Mr. Speaker.	Nicholson.
Acker.	Parish of Runnels.
Bateman.	Petsch.
Bird.	Pope.
Brown.	Porter.
Cummings.	Purl.
DeBerry.	Rawlins.
Farrar.	Rogers of Hays.
Forbes.	Rogers of Shelby.
Foster.	Rowell.
Graves.	Sanders.
Hagaman.	Satterwhite.
Hall.	Sheats.
Johnson.	Shirley.
King of	Sinks.
Throckmorton.	Smith of Atascosa.
Loy.	Snelgrove.
Masterson.	Stevenson.
McCombs.	Storey.
Merritt.	Tillotson.
Morse.	Van Zandt.
Moursund.	Waddell.
Murphy.	Whitaker.

Williams  
of Sabine.

Williams  
of Travis.  
Young.

Nays—77.

Albritton.  
Alexander.  
Avis.  
Barnett.  
Barron.  
Bass.  
Black.  
Bonham.  
Boon.  
Branch.  
Conway.  
Cornwell.  
Cox.  
Daniel.  
Denman.  
Dielmann.  
Durham.  
Duvall.  
Enderby.  
Faulk.  
Finlay.  
Fly.  
Fuchs.  
Gibson.  
Gilbert.  
Gray.  
Harding.  
Harman.  
Hefley.  
High.  
Hogg.  
Holder.  
Holland.  
Hornaday.  
Jacks.  
Jones.  
Kayton.  
Kennedy.  
Kenyon.  
Kincaid.

King of Hopkins.  
Kinnear.  
Kirkland.  
Land.  
Lipscomb.  
McGill.  
McKean.  
Minor.  
Montgomery.  
Olsen.  
Parrish of Travis.  
Pavlica.  
Pearce.  
Poage.  
Pool.  
Powell.  
Runge.  
Shaver.  
Shearer.  
Simmons.  
Smith of El Paso.  
Smith of Nueces.  
Smith of Smith.  
Smyth.  
Stell.  
Stout.  
Sutton.  
Swain.  
Taylor.  
Teer.  
Turner.  
Veatch.  
Walker.  
Ware.  
Wassell.  
Webb.  
Williamson.  
Woodall.  
Woodruff.

Absent.

Beck.  
Boggs.  
Davis.  
Dunlap.  
Eickenroht.  
Gates.  
Kirby.  
Loftin.

Ramsey.  
Reagan.  
Renfro  
of Angelina.  
Wallace  
of Freestone.  
Wallace of Smith.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.  
Justice.  
Kemble.  
Long.

Nabors.  
Renfro of Mills.  
Wallace of Panola.  
Wells.

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Satterwhite, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

## Yeas—53.

Mr. Speaker.	Pope.
Acker.	Powell.
Barnett.	Purl.
Bateman.	Rawlins.
Bird.	Rogers of Shelby.
Boggs.	Rowell.
Brown.	Sanders.
Cox.	Satterwhite.
Dielmann.	Sheats.
Duvall.	Shirley.
Foster.	Sinks.
Hall.	Smith of El Paso.
Harman.	Smith of Nueces.
Hogg.	Smyth.
Holder.	Swain.
King of Hopkins.	Teer.
King of	Tillotson.
Throckmorton.	Van Zandt.
Masterson.	Waddell.
McCombs.	Walker.
Merritt.	Wassell.
Montgomery.	Whitaker.
Moursund.	Williams
Nicholson.	of Sabine.
Parish of Runnels.	Williams
Parrish of Travis.	of Travis.
Pavlica.	Young.
Petsch.	

## Nays—75.

Albritton.	Jones.
Alexander.	Kayton.
Avis.	Kennedy.
Barron.	Kenyon.
Bass.	Kincaid.
Black.	Kinnear.
Bonham.	Kirkland.
Boon.	Land.
Branch.	Lipscomb.
Conway.	Loy.
Cornwell.	McGill.
Cummings.	McKean.
Daniel.	Minor.
DeBerry.	Morse.
Denman.	Murphy.
Durham.	Olsen.
Enderby.	Pearce.
Farrar.	Poage.
Faulk.	Pool.
Finlay.	Porter.
Fly.	Rogers of Hays.
Forbes.	Runge.
Fuchs.	Shaver.
Gibson.	Shearer.
Gilbert.	Simmons.
Graves.	Smith of Atascosa.
Gray.	Smith of Smith.
Hagaman.	Snelgrove.
Harding.	Stell.
Hefley.	Stevenson.
High.	Storey.
Holland.	Stout.
Hornaday.	Sutton.
Jacks.	Taylor.
Johnson.	Turner.

Veatch.	Williamson.
Wallace of Smith.	Woodall.
Ware.	Woodruff.
Webb.	

## Absent.

Beck.	Ramsey.
Davis.	Reagan.
Dunlap.	Renfro
Eickenroht.	of Angelina.
Gates.	Wallace
Kirby.	of Freestone.
Loftin.	

## Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

House joint resolution No. 9 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

## Yeas—72.

Albritton.	Lipscomb.
Alexander.	McGill.
Avis.	McKean.
Barnett.	Minor.
Barron.	Montgomery.
Bass.	Olsen.
Black.	Parrish of Travis.
Bonham.	Pavlica.
Boon.	Pearce.
Branch.	Poage.
Conway.	Pool.
Cornwell.	Powell.
Cox.	Renfro
Dielmann.	of Angelina.
Durham.	Runge.
Enderby.	Shaver.
Faulk.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Simmons.
Fuchs.	Smith of El Paso.
Gibson.	Smith of Nueces.
Gilbert.	Smith of Smith.
Harding.	Smyth.
Harman.	Stell.
Hefley.	Stout.
High.	Swain.
Holder.	Taylor.
Holland.	Teer.
Hornaday.	Turner.
Jacks.	Veatch.
Jones.	Wallace of Smith.
Kayton.	Ware.
Kenyon.	Wassell.
Kincaid.	Webb.
Kinnear.	Williamson.
Kirkland.	Woodall.
Land.	Woodruff.

## Nays—57.

Mr. Speaker.	Boggs.
Acker.	Brown.
Bateman.	Cummings.
Bird.	Daniel.

DeBerry.	Porter.
Denman.	Purl.
Duvall.	Rawlins.
Farrar.	Rogers of Hays.
Fly.	Rogers of Shelby.
Forbes.	Rowell.
Foster.	Sanders.
Graves.	Satterwhite.
Gray.	Sheats.
Hagaman.	Shirley.
Hall.	Sinks.
Johnson.	Smith of Atascosa.
King of Hopkins.	Snelgrove.
King of	Stevenson.
Throckmorton.	Storey.
Loy.	Sutton.
Masterson.	Tillotson.
McCombs.	Van Zandt.
Merritt.	Waddell.
Morse.	Walker.
Moursund.	Whitaker.
Murphy.	Williams
Nicholson.	of Sabine.
Parish of Runnels.	Williams
Petsch.	of Travis.
Pope.	Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Kennedy.

Absent.

Beck.	Kirby.
Davis.	Loftin.
Dunlap.	Ramsey.
Eickenroht.	Reagan.
Gates.	Wallace.
Hogg.	of Freestone.

Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Nabors.
Justice.	Renfro of Mills.
Kemble.	Wallace of Panola.
Long.	Wells.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading,

H. J. R. No. 22, Proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that the salaries or compensation of members of the Legislature and all State officers that are now fixed by the Constitution shall be hereafter fixed by law; and making an appropriation to pay expenses in adopting same.

The resolution having heretofore been read second time, with amendment by Mr. Jones and substitute by Mr. Satterwhite for the amendment pending.

(Mr. Satterwhite in the chair.)

Question first recurring on the substitute amendment, it was lost.

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Jones, it was lost.

Mr. Tillotson offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 22 by striking out all of Section 1, embracing lines 16 to 22, inclusive, and insert the following:

"Section 1. Amend Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by repealing Section 24 of said article and adopting in place thereof a new Section 24, to read as follows:

"Section 24. Per Diem and Mileage.—The members of the Legislature shall receive from the public treasury such compensation for their services as may, from time to time, be provided by law, not exceeding ten (\$10) dollars per day for the first one hundred (100) days of each session, and after that not exceeding five (\$5) dollars per day for the remainder of the session. In addition to the per diem, the members of each house shall be entitled to be recompensed for the expense of going to and returning from the seat of government, to be computed on the basis of railroad fare by the most direct route, but no member shall be entitled to such railroad fare for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of the regular or called session."

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Fly offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 22 by filling blanks on page 1, in Section 2, at lines 33 and 34, by inserting "the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Pearce offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 22, page 1, line 22, by adding after the word "law," the following: "not to exceed \$1,200 per year."

Mr. Foster moved the previous question on the pending amendment and the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment by Mr. Pearce, it was lost.

House joint resolution No. 22 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—86.

Barnett.	Brown.
Barron.	Conway.
Bass.	Cornwell.
Bird.	Cox.
Boon.	Cummings.
Branch.	Daniel.



Davis.	Petsch.
DeBerry.	Poage.
Denman.	Pool.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Duvall.	Porter.
Enderby.	Powell.
Faulk.	Purl.
Fly.	Rawlins.
Forbes.	Rogers of Hays.
Foster.	Rogers of Shelby.
Fuchs.	Rowell.
Gibson.	Runge.
Gilbert.	Sanders.
Hagaman.	Satterwhite.
Harding.	Shaver.
Harman.	Sheats.
Hefley.	Simmons.
High.	Sinks.
Hogg.	Smith of El Paso.
Holder.	Smith of Smith.
Holland.	Smyth.
Hornaday.	Snelgrove.
Jacks.	Stevenson.
Johnson.	Storey.
Jones.	Stout.
Kenyon.	Sutton.
Kinnear.	Swain.
Land.	Tillotson.
Lipscomb.	Van Zandt.
Loftin.	Veatch.
Loy.	Waddell.
McCombs.	Wallace of Smith.
McKean.	Ware.
Minor.	Wassell.
Montgomery.	Whitaker.
Morse.	Williams
Moursund.	of Travis.
Nabors.	Williamson.
Olsen.	Woodruff.

## Nays—29.

Albritton.	Murphy.
Avis.	Parish of Runnels.
Black.	Pavlica.
Boggs.	Pearce.
Durham.	Renfro
Eickenroht.	of Angelina.
Farrar.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Smith of Atascosa.
Gray.	Stell.
Kennedy.	Taylor.
Kincaid.	Turner.
King of Hopkins.	Walker.
King of	Webb.
Throckmorton.	Williams
Kirkland.	of Sabine.
McGill.	Young.
Merritt.	

## Absent.

Acker.	Graves.
Alexander.	Hall.
Bateman.	Kayton.
Beck.	Kirby.
Bonham.	Masterson.
Dunlap.	Nicholson.
Gates.	Parrish of Travis.

Ramsey.	Teer.
Reagan.	Wallace
Shirley.	of Freestone.
Smith of Nueces.	Woodall.

## Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Renfro of Mills.
Justice.	Wallace of Panola.
Kemble.	Wells.
Long.	

## Reason for Vote.

Mr. Speaker, I vote "nay" on this resolution since the amendment failed to carry limiting the salary of the legislators. When any one is turned loose on the public treasury without a limit it is bad business to say the least.

STELL.

## BILL AND RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled resolutions and bill:

H. C. R. No. 31, Relating to House bill No. 316.

H. C. R. No. 30, Recalling House bill No. 16 from Governor.

S. B. No. 457, "An Act authorizing any county in this State upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident taxpayers to issue bonds," etc.

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading,

H. J. R. No. 24, Providing for a convention to frame a Constitution for the State of Texas.

The resolution was read second time.

Question—Shall the resolution be passed?

## BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Atascosa, Senate bill No. 421 was ordered not printed.

## SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees as follows:

Senate bill No. 190, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 196, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 207, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 249, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 250, to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

Senate bill No. 277, to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

Senate bill No. 319, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 321, to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

Senate bill No. 336, to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senate bill No. 349, to the Committee on Oil, Gas and Mining.

Senate bill No. 438, to the Committee on Insurance.

Senate bill No. 350, to the Committee on Public Health.

Senate bill No. 383, to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Senate bill No. 423, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 456, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 458, to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Stevenson, the House, at 5:50 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

#### APPENDIX.

##### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following standing committees have today filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

Judiciary: House bills Nos. 633, 630; Senate bill No. 153.

Eleemosynary and Reformatory Institutions: Senate bill No. 239.

Privileges, Suffrage and Elections: Senate bills Nos. 322, 281.

Banks and Banking: House bill No. 634; Senate bill No. 380.

Oil, Gas and Mining: Senate bills Nos. 432, 431.

State Affairs: House bills Nos. 622, 116.

The following standing committee has today filed adverse reports on bills as follows:

State Affairs: Senate bills Nos. 276, 296; House bill No. 590.

##### REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 2, 1927.

Hon. Robert Lee Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 30, Recalling House bill No. 16 from Governor,

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

MORSE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 2, 1927.

Hon. Robert Lee Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 31, Relating to House bill No. 316,

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

MORSE, Chairman.

#### THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

(Thursday, March 3, 1927.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Bobbitt.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Acker.	Finlay.
Albritton.	Fly.
Alexander.	Forbes.
Barnett.	Foster.
Barron.	Fuchs.
Bass.	Gates.
Bateman.	Gibson.
Bird.	Gilbert.
Black.	Gray.
Boggs.	Hagaman.
Boon.	Hall.
Branch.	Harding.
Brown.	Harman.
Conway.	Hefley.
Cornwell.	High.
Cox.	Hogg.
Cummings.	Holder.
Daniel.	Holland.
Davis.	Hornaday.
DeBerry.	Jacks.
Dielmann.	Johnson.
Durham.	Jones.
Duvall.	Kayton.
Enderby.	Kennedy.
Eickenroht.	Kenyon.
Farrar.	Kincaid.
Faulk.	King of Hopkins.